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SIXTEENTH MEETING OF OSO/OPC COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

The sixteenth meeting of the OSO/OPC Communications Board was held at 2 PM, Tuesday, 25 April 1950. Present were:

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Item I. The minutes of the last regular meeting and the special meeting were read and approved. [redacted] stated that the ADSO had looked over his file on the proceedings of the OSO/OPC Communications Board and had suggested that those attending the meetings be listed as regular members and consultants, with a notation as to which items the consultants were called in to discuss.

Item II. [redacted]

The State Department cable to [redacted] was read and discussed. [redacted] has been alerted to attend a conference being held in the Department of State to determine what policy is to be followed with respect to a radio base [redacted] Communications representative will be present. [redacted] had returned from [redacted] and they reported that the [redacted] Government is worried about [redacted]

Item III. [redacted]

It was reported that representatives of [redacted] have also agreed that the principal of sharing sites and facilities is not technically desirable. [redacted] is being advised not to make any firm commitments in [redacted] without referring to [redacted] This matter will be discussed further when [redacted] returns. It was suggested that a review be made of the terms of agreement with [redacted] for the use of [redacted] and also the degree of urgency and scope of needs of both OSO and OPC with respect to the Base.

Item IV. Distribution of Cables:

The draft of the procedure was presented and accepted.

Item V. [redacted]

This item was carried over to the next meeting.

Item VI. SOP for Agent Equipment Issuance:

This item was carried over to the next meeting.

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Item VII: Overseas Communications Plan:

It was stated that the Overseas Communications Plan is being favorably considered by the Director and it is understood that the plan will not be taken to the NSC for approval at the present time.

Item VIII: New Business:

The subject of an overall policy for [redacted] programs^{25X1} was brought up as a matter for the Board's determination and it was agreed to make this an item for the Agenda.

1951-1952 budget requirements were discussed. Agent equipment requirements for a period of two years have been procured from the operating divisions and will be analyzed as to justification and with a view to time scheduling. Operational requirements will have to be reviewed and a meeting of the Board will be called when this has been done.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 PM.

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